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## LAKE CHARLES, LOUISIANA DOCTOR SENTENCED FOR UNLAWFULLY DISPENSING PRESCRIPTION PAIN MEDICATION

Rehabilitation doctor who providing prescriptions in exchange for sex sentenced to 48 days in jail and 200 hours community service

**Lake Charles, Louisiana** . . . United States Attorney Donald W. Washington announced that **KEVIN E. GORIN**, age 46, from Lake Charles, Louisiana was sentenced today in federal court by United States District Judge Patricia Minaldi to 48 days imprisonment to be followed by 200 hours community service and 2 years supervised release for knowingly, intentionally, and unlawfully dispensing prescription pain medication. GORIN was also ordered to pay a \$50,000 fine.

U.S. Attorney Washington stated, "It's a sad day when a doctor becomes a common drug trafficker.

Nevertheless, the law applies with equal force to all without regard to his or her station in life."

GORIN was arrested in January 2006 following an investigation by the United States Drug Enforcement Administration, the Beauregard Parish Sheriff's Office, and the Deridder Police Department

into allegations that GORIN was providing prescriptions in exchange for sexual favors. GORIN pled guilty in June 2006.

GORIN was a physician and the Medical Director for the Institute for Pain Management and Rehabilitation in Lake Charles, Louisiana. From October 2005 continuing through January 2006, GORIN distributed medication for illegal purposes and to individuals who did not have a medical justification to have such medication. GORIN was arrested at a Best Western Motel in Deridder, Louisiana in January 2006 while dispensing controlled substances in exchange and in anticipation of sexual favors.

Sentencing in federal court is determined by the discretion of federal judges and the governing statute. Parole has been abolished in the federal system.

This case was prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Howard C. Parker.

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